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The Honorable Ronald S. Moultrie
Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence & Security
1400 Defense Pentagon
Washington, DC 20301-1400

Dear Under Secretary Moultrie,

Thank you for your ongoing attention to the presence of unidentified aerial phenomena (UAP) in our airspace. I write today requesting increased transparency into the matter.

The June 2021 preliminary assessment released by the Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI) provided few answers and raised more questions. The American people deserve to know whether we are alone in our galaxy, so I was disappointed that the Unidentified Aerial Phenomena Task Force (UAPTF) lacked the sufficient data for an all-encompassing analysis. It is incredibly problematic that we still do not know if these UAPs are simply airborne clutter, advanced adversarial systems, or even advanced technologies not of this world.

However, I am encouraged that the newly established Airborne Object Identification and Management Executive Council (AOIMEXEC) is transitioning the UAPTF to the Airborne Object Identification and Management Synchronization Group (AOIMSG). It is my hope that the AOIMSG will build off the preliminary assessment by collecting and analyzing all relevant data so we can get to the bottom of this phenomena.

Therefore, I am requesting that the AOIMSG or the AOIMEXEC brief Members of Congress on their findings in a classified setting followed by a public hearing before the relevant committees.

Thank you for your service to the American people and I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Respectfully,

Tim Burchett

Member of Congress